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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street., S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

> Re: Applications of AT&T Inc. and Verizon Wireless For Consent to Assign or

Transfer Control of Licenses and Authorizations and Modify a Spectrum Leasing

Arrangement,

WT Docket No. 09-104, Notice of Oral Ex Parte Presentation

Dear Ms. Dortch:

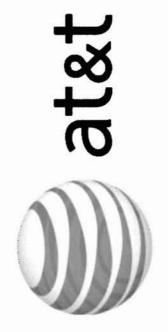
On February 4, 2010, Joan Marsh, Bill Drexel, Elizabeth Cohen, Rudolf Hermond and Jeanine Poltronieri, of AT&T and Richard Rosen and Scott Feira of Arnold and Porter, LLP, representing AT&T, met with Kathy Harris, Nese Guendelsberger. Susan Singer, Monica DeLong, Stana Kimball, Christina Clearwater, Stacy Ferraro of the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau and Neil Dellar and Joel Rabinovitz of the FCC's Office of the General Counsel. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss open issues in the above-referenced proceeding, as indicated in the attached presentation.

In accordance with Commission rules, this letter is being filed electronically with your office for inclusion in the public record.

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Attachment

Copies: Kathy Harris, Nese Guendelsberger, Susan Singer, Monica DeLong, Stana Kimball, Christina Clearwater, Stacy Ferraro, Neil Dellar, Joel Rabinovitz



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Ex Parte Presentation in WT Docket No. 09-104

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OVERVIEW

- Timing
- Public interest benefits
- No competitive harms
- Network transition plans
- Customer transition plans



TIMING

- Entire ALLTEL acquisition (12 times the size of this) was approved in 7 months
- This transaction has been pending for over 8 months now
- 180-day "shot clock" expired Dec. 16, 2009
- Significant public benefits of transaction (which includes jobs for our employees and supply chain and faster 3G broadband for rural areas) should not be delayed



BENEFITS WITHOUT HARMS

- Divestiture requirements will be satisfied and robust competition will be assured in 79 of the CMAs affected by ALLTEL acquisition
- AT&T's existing customers nationwide will benefit from expanded coverage in rural areas
- AT&T services (including faster broadband) will benefit consumers in these rural areas
- Network investment will mean jobs
- No competitive harms as AT&T will newly enter 49 CMAs and will expand limited presence in 30 others
- No spectrum aggregation concerns (only parts of 2 CMAs hit the screen and others have ample spectrum)



TRANSITION PLANS

Network

- Deploying a globally compatible network in these areas
- Advance planning
- Aggressive schedule
- Some dependencies

Customer

- Smooth conversion
- Logical framework
- Customer focused
- Robust choices
- Extensive communications

